

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of:

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For: AN IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL  
DEVICE INCLUDING A  
COVALENTLY IMMOBILIZED  
ANTI-THROMBOGENIC  
MATERIAL

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Examiner: Erma C. Cameron

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner Cameron:

This communication responds to the Final Office Action mailed on April 22, 2008.